

in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the House adjourns on any day from Sunday, March 20, 2005, through Monday, April 4, 2005, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5, 2005, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Minority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, or their respective designees, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the House, shall notify the Members of the Senate and House, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate whenever, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

ORDER FOR RECORD TO REMAIN OPEN

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the Senate's adjournment, the RECORD remain open for statements only on Monday, March 21, from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

THE PASSING OF PAT OKURA

• Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, on January 30, 2005, America lost a pioneer and leader in civil rights, human rights and mental health. Among his many accomplishments, Mr. K. Patrick Okura served as president of the Japanese American Citizens League, JACL, between 1962 and 1964 and led the JACL into a new era of civil rights activism. Pat was also an active board member of the Asian Pacific American Heritage Council and dedicated himself to nurturing the growth of the Asian Pacific American community. In addition, Pat had a long and distinguished career in mental health and helped found the Asian American Psychological Association.

On February 11, 2005, a memorial service was held for Pat in Bethesda, MD. At this memorial service, an eloquent eulogy was presented by the current president of the JACL, Mr. John Tateishi, highlighting Pat's accomplishments, describing his character, and expressing sadness at his passing.

I feel much the same way as Mr. Tateishi does about Pat's passing. I would like to share his thoughts with you. Today, I ask that a copy of Mr. Tateishi's eulogy for Pat Okura to be printed in the RECORD.

The material follows:

EULOGY FOR K. PATRICK OKURA

If the true measure of a man is seen in his actions rather than in the words he speaks, then Pat Okura is a giant among us today. He was someone who believed passionately in equality and the rights of individuals, and more importantly, he spent a lifetime fighting for those things he believed in so strongly.

Some 30 years ago, when we were all so much younger, Pat and I talked long into the night at a JACL convention, and it was then that I first got to know something about this remarkable man. He told me about the things that had shaped his life: his days at UCLA, meeting and marrying his lovely wife Lily, those miserable days imprisoned and living as newlyweds in a horse stall at the Santa Anita race track, life at Boys Town in Omaha, and the post-war years. And apart from his life with Lily, he told me the one event that shaped his view of the world more than any other was the injustice of the internment. As a result, he spent the rest of his life fighting against racism and social injustice and always tried to ensure justice in this world, especially for those who were the least able to fight for themselves.

The one thing that is legendary about Pat was his love of mentoring young people. He would always tell the stories of his life, not to talk about himself, but to impart wisdom from those experiences, to use the stories of his life as a way to teach and guide the young people who came to him for his help. He loved to counsel, advise, to mentor the young, and he always, without hesitation, extended a helping hand. There are countless numbers of us who have benefited from his generosity and kindness. That was one of the hallmarks of his life.

In 1962, Pat was elected as the National President of JACL, and during his term of office, he led the JACL into a new era of civil rights. A year after winning election as the organization's president, he convened a meeting of the JACL's National Board in Washington D.C., the first time the Board had ever met anywhere other than at its national headquarters in its 64 year history. He did so to urge the JACL Board to support the now historic March on Washington, led by the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.

In order to put that into context, it should be noted that in 1963, the notion of civil rights was not yet part of the popular lexicon of the American vernacular. At that time, it was viewed as a radical movement by upstart blacks and radical students from the north, and the idea of civil rights for non-whites created discomfort in the hearts of many in this country. Certainly, for the JACL, moderate at best, being part of the civil rights movement was a radical idea.

So in 1963, when Pat passionately cajoled the JACL National Board into supporting the march and proudly marched with Dr. King in the Nation's Capitol, he moved the JACL into a new era—from an organization that looked inward to its own community to one that reached out to any individuals or groups in this country victimized by social injustice.

We in the JACL have been fortunate to have known Pat as a friend, a colleague, and a leader. For a brief moment, he was given to us, and we are proud to have had him as one of us to have been a part of his life. He will be sorely missed, and his passing leaves a gaping void that cannot easily be filled. Legends among us are passing, and how do we possibly replace them? The likes of Patrick Okura simply cannot be replaced. He was too remarkable.

Lily, on this day of mourning, we thank you for sharing Pat with us. Our thoughts are with you as we celebrate the incredible life of a wonderful human being and a good friend.●

SENATE PASSAGE OF THE TERRI SCHIAVO BILL

• Mr. TALENT. Mr. President, I believe in the dignity and value of life at all stages and I strongly supported the legislation to help Terri Schiavo. Doctors have said that Terri is not in a

persistent vegetative state and there is a lot of evidence that she would improve if she can get the care her family wants to give her.

It is not uncommon in cases where there has been a miscarriage of justice for the Congress to pass private bills. Our actions are consistent with the will of the people of Florida who have been repeatedly frustrated by the State courts. We have a chance to allow this young woman to live under the nurturing of her parents and to improve her condition.

On Sunday, March 20, the Senate passed the Terri Schiavo bill. The House passed the bill early on Monday, March 21, by a vote of 203-58 and President Bush signed the bill into law less than an hour later.

The legislation will allow Federal courts to hear a claim on behalf of Terri Schiavo by her parents, Robert and Mary Schindler, alleging a violation of their daughter's rights under the Constitution or Federal law relating to the withholding or withdrawal of food, fluids, or medical treatment necessary to sustain her life.●

TRIBUTE TO SIDNEY A. GOODMAN

• Mr. COLEMAN. Mr. President, it broke my heart to miss my good friend Sidney Goodman's birthday today. So I wanted to memorialize this great occasion in a way that would be remembered. As I told Sidney in a letter, if he hadn't made something out of me, I would be there to celebrate with him instead of working here in Washington.

Thomas Jefferson said that, "The test of every generation is giving a better world to its children than it got from its parents." By that standard, Sidney is one of the greatest of the Greatest Generation.

As you well know, it is not the years of life but the life in years that counts. Sidney has lived many years and lived them to the hilt. He has poured so much love and energy into those around him, including me. I hope he can receive all the richly deserved honor bestowed on him on this special day. He is 1 in 5 billion.

Sidney A. Goodman is the quintessential entrepreneur, with heart.

His charisma instantly draws people, and his expectations encourage them to become the very best they can be. His uncanny business sense makes him the consummate deal maker and natural leader. His honesty, integrity and warmth have cultivated thousands of business relationships that have become genuine friendships.

These abilities enabled him to set the foundation of what would become the Goodman Group, one of the Nation's most unique and innovative privately held companies, in which he is still actively involved today. The Goodman Group is made up of: Sage Company, which has communities in 11 States